

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Alan Doane, on January 31, 2017 at 9:00 AM, in Room 137 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Alan Doane, Chair (R)
Rep. Seth Berglee, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Virginia Court, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Laurie Bishop (D)
Rep. Bob Brown (R)
Rep. Jennifer Eck (D)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Casey Knudsen (R)
Rep. Theresa Manzella (R)
Rep. Nate McConnell (D)
Rep. Shane A. Morigeau (D)
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)
Rep. Zac Perry (D)
Rep. Matt Regier (R)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Barry Usher (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Bill Harris (R)
Rep. Ellie Hill Smith (D)
Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sara Fleming, Committee Secretary
Helen Thigpen, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 320, 1/26/2017

HEARING ON HB 320**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:02 Rep. Matt Regier (R), HD 4, opened the hearing on HB 320, Allow state to appeal a charge.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:48 Mark Fowler, Attorney Generals' Office

00:09:07 Mark Murphy, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:11:46 SK Rossi, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)

Informational Testimony: None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:14:19 Rep. McConnell

00:15:05 Rep. Regier

00:17:34 Vice Chair Court

00:18:23 Mark Murphy, MCAA

00:23:23 Vice Chair Court

00:23:57 Mark Fowler, Attorney Generals' Office

00:28:37 Rep. Eck

00:29:19 Rep. Regier

00:29:40 Rep. Eck

00:30:02 Mark Fowler, Attorney Generals' Office

00:31:21 Rep. Eck

00:31:58 SK Rossi, ACLU

00:34:31 Chair Doane

00:34:46 Rep. Kelker

00:35:03 Helen Thigpen, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:36:22 Rep. Morigeau

00:37:55 SK Rossi, ACLU

00:38:22 Rep. Morigeau

00:39:27 Mark Murphy, MCAA

00:43:35 Rep. McConnell

00:43:59 Rep. Wagoner joined the meeting

00:44:21 Mark Fowler, Attorney Generals' Office

00:48:29 Chair Doane

00:48:53 Rep. McConnell

00:49:45 Mark Fowler, Attorney Generals' Office

Closing by Sponsor:

00:50:27 Rep. Regier

Committee Business:

00:51:17 Helen Thigpen, LSD

00:52:55 Rep. McConnell

00:53:04 Helen Thigpen, LSD

00:53:46 Chair Doane

00:53:52 Vice Chair Berglee
00:54:13 Helen Thigpen, LSD
00:55:22 Chair Doane

00:55:34 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Eck moved that **A FISCAL NOTE BE PROVIDED FOR HB 320.** Motion carried 17-0 by voice vote.

Committee Business:

00:56:01 Chair Doane
00:56:28 Helen Thigpen, LSD
00:57:00 Chair Doane
00:57:18 Rep. Kelker
00:57:27 Helen Thigpen, LSD
00:58:00 Rep. McConnell
00:58:26 Chair Doane
00:58:58 Vice Chair Court
00:59:00 Chair Doane

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:59:22

Sara Fleming, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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